

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY  
AVERAGE WHOLESAL PRICE  
LITIGATION

MDL NO. 1456

CIVIL ACTION: 01-CV-12257-PBS

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

Judge Patti B. Saris

*John Rice v. Abbot Laboratories, Inc. et al.*, N.D.  
California, C.A. No. 3:02-3925

*Constance Thompson v. Abbott Laboratories, Inc. et al.*,  
N.D. California, C.A. No. 3: 02-4450

**CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.3, defendant, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation


("Novartis"), states the following:

1. Novartis is wholly owned by Novartis Finance Corporation.
2. No publicly held company owns more than ten percent (10%) of Novartis' stock.

(However, Novartis Finance Corporation is wholly owned by Novartis Corporation, which is wholly owned by Novartis Holding AG, which is wholly owned by Novartis AG, which is a publicly held company.)

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation

By its attorneys,

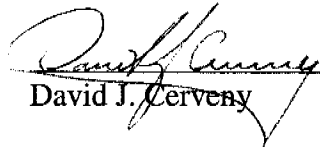
  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, David J. Cervený, certify that, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2003, a copy of the foregoing document has been served on counsel of record by electronic means pursuant to the Court's Case Management Order dated July 23, 2002.

  
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David J. Cervený